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EXHIBIT #VII.A.

TO: Members of the State Board of Education

FROM: Thomas A. Desjardin, Acting Commissioner*

DATE: June 10, 2015

SUBJECT: Consideration of the Program Review Team Report of Findings for the Educator Preparation Programs Offered by the University of Maine at Fort Kent

BACKGROUND: At the May 13, 2015 meeting, the State Board of Education voted to receive the State Review Team's Report of Findings for the University of Maine at Fort Kent.

A State program approval visit to the University of Maine at Fort Kent was conducted March 22 through 25, 2015 for the purpose of reviewing the following professional educator preparation programs: The Educational Studies Program has five educator preparation programs that lead to certification. The five programs are as follows:

- Elementary Education,
- Secondary Education Social Studies,
- Secondary Education Life Science,
- Secondary Education English/Language Arts, Modern and Classical Language, and Computer Technology.

Initial review and approval of the degree program in

- Secondary Education Mathematics.

Following the on-site visit, the Review Team's Report of Findings was prepared which includes commendations, program recommendations, and a recommendation for State program approval status. Attached is a copy of the University of Maine at Fort Kent Self-Study Report as well as a copy of the Review Team's Report of Findings.

RECOMMENDATION: That the State Board of Education grant State Program Approval to the University of Maine at Fort Kent's Educational Studies Program for five years to the Spring of 2020.

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